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**MEDICAL APPARATUS**

A nasal cannula 1 for inclusion in medical apparatus that delivers a breathable gas mixture of helium and oxygen to a patient comprises a length 12 of high pressure narrow bore tubing having a proximal end region for connection to a high pressure source, a cylinder 2, of the breathable gas mixture at a junction 8. The length 12 of tubing has a distal end region connected to at least one nasal administration device 10. The distal end region of the length 12 of tubing has an orifice for the expansion of the breathable gas mixture.